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Minutes, Jan. 6, 2010

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE\
 Meeting – Wednesday, January 6, 2010
 Arlington Town Hall
 730 Mass. Ave., Arlington, Ma. 02476

Present: Ann LeRoyer, chair; David White, Conservation Committee; Lisa Decker, Planning Board; Joey Glushko, Planning Department; Michelle Hassler, Cemetery Commission; Patsy Kraemer, citizen; Jane Auger, citizen; Elizabeth Karpati, Vision 2020.

- Minutes of December meeting – approved w/ minor changes.
- Discussion of submission for Town Report – Ann reviewed what the committee had focused on for the past two years, including:

- *Updating the management plans for the various open spaces.
- *handicap accessibility at open spaces
- * Cooke's Hollow
- *Educational programming
- *Busa farm sale
- *Spy Pond phragmites control project
- *linear park along Mill Brook

Ann will put together a draft and send it around for people's review.
 Ann also pointed out that the membership of the committee has remained stable.

- Mill Brook Park – a subcommittee meeting is next Thursday, Jan. 14th. Ann will be sending a report around.
- Management report on Town Hall Gardens and Burying Grounds will be done in February.
- Update of Open Space Plan – Section 9. We will only be submitting revision to Chapter nine.

Discussion of various changes to this section:

- *Elizabeth pointed out a mistake with Wellington Park on one map.
- *The map will have to be revised, especially adding the Mill Brook project.
- *#6 would be deleted.
- *3 – some capital projects itemized have been completed.. Leslie can give us an accurate update on these.
- Goal 1 – undeveloped land - some rewording is recommended.
- Goal 2 – natural areas/water bodies – a new objective added vis a vis the Great Meadows uplands.
- Goal 3a – add Mill Brook Linear Park development plan as a new goal.

We will complete revisions at the February meeting. Committee members should email suggestions to Ann. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

-- Patsy Kramer